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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Sir,

Responsive to the Action of the examiner dated September 29, 2006, having a shortened statutory period for reply expiring December 29, 2006, please consider the following Amendments and Remarks. A Request for Extension of Time for one month and fee are submitted herewith.

The Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.